

Pteropurpura festiva (Hinds, 1844) in Monterey Bay

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McLean, 1978 records Santa Barbara, California as the northern extent of the range of *Pteropurpura festiva* (Hinds, 1844). Lonhart and Tupen, 2001 extended the range 112 km north to Moro Bay, based on several museum records. On May 7, 2011 while diving at 12 m, along the USCG breakwater at Monterey, California, a beautiful young specimen of *P. festiva* was found (Figure 1). The specimen was collected and is deposited at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History (SBMNH 235771), the specimen measures 28.21 mm in length. The specimen was found in association with specimens of the related *Pteropurpura macroptera* (Deshayes, 1839). On April 8, 2015, a second specimen was photographed (Figure 2) at 8 m, at the same site, the specimen was

estimated to be about 3 cm in length. These records extend the range of *P. festiva* about 320 km to the north. No dives were made at the site between May 2011 and April 2015.

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Figure 1. *Pteropurpura festiva*. USCG Breakwater, Monterey Bay, California, 12 m. May 7, 2011.



Figure 2. *Pteropurpura festiva*. USCG Breakwater, Monterey Bay, California, 8 m. April 8, 2015.